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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: S. 390, a Bill "To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for a U.S. Foreign Service scholarship program"

1. S. 390, introduced by Senator Dominick (D., Colo.) is the same proposal as previously introduced in the last Congress as S. 939. The bills establish a scholarship program for the college education of candidates for career Government positions overseas. S. 939, favorably considered by the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, was never voted on. Attached is a copy of an excerpt from the Congressional Record which sets forth S. 390 and the comments of Senator Dominick. Also attached is a copy of the Senate Committee report on S. 390.

2. The State Department strongly objects to the bill as State feels there are adequate programs in Government to train personnel for overseas assignments and the new proposal could seriously affect the "open" selectiveness of Foreign Service Officers.

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